

## BOOK NOTICES

**Systematics/Monographs/Floras/Guides**

GEYATA AJILVSGI. 2002. **Wildflowers of Texas. Revised Edition.** (ISBN 0-940672-73-1, pbk, laminated). Shearer Publishing, 406 Post Oak Road, Fredericksburg, TX 78624, U.S.A. (Orders: 800-458-3808, [www.shearerpub.com](http://www.shearerpub.com)). \$19.95, 524 pp., numerous color photographs, 4 1/2 × 7 1/2".

*From the inside cover flap.*—"IN this revised edition of her popular *Wildflowers of Texas*, native-plant expert Geyata Ajilvsgi gives lay readers the most comprehensive field guide currently available on the state's abundant wildflowers. With the addition of 105 species, the book now contains information on 482 of the most common wildflower species found in the state's major vegetation zones—from the mountains in the west to the swamplands in the east, from desert to piney woods to coastal plain, from the Panhandle to the semitropical Rio Grande Valley. Each entry reflects the most current scientific knowledge about the plant, such as recent changes in taxonomic classification."

The layout is nice with color photographs on the left side of the page and text on the right. Every plant listed includes a common name, family, bloom period, description, habitat, and a general note about the plant. It is fun to just read the various comments about individual species. The field guide includes a glossary, an illustrated glossary (floral structures, vegetative structures), selected bibliography that includes many up-to-date references, and an index of Latin names and a wealth of common names.—Barney Lipscomb, *Botanical Research Institute of Texas, 509 Pecan St, Fort Worth, TX 76102-4060, U.S.A., barney@brit.org.*

ROBERT H. MOHLENBROCK. 2002. **The Illustrated Flora of Illinois. Grasses: Bromus to Paspalum. Second Edition.** (ISBN 0-8093-2359-1, hbk.) Southern Illinois University Press. P.O. Box 3697, Carbondale, IL 62902-3697, U.S.A. (Orders: 618-459-6633, 618-453-1221 fax, [www.siu.edu/~siupress](http://www.siu.edu/~siupress)). \$60.00, 416 pp, 284 line drawings, 6" × 9".

ROBERT H. MOHLENBROCK. 2002. **Vascular Flora of Illinois.** (ISBN 0-8093-2421-0, pbk.) Southern Illinois University Press. P.O. Box 3697, Carbondale, IL 62902-3697, U.S.A. (Orders: 618-459-6633, 618-453-1221 fax, [www.siu.edu/~siupress](http://www.siu.edu/~siupress)). \$50.00, 736 pp, 1 map (county map of Illinois), 6" × 9".

*The Illustrated Flora of Illinois. Grasses: Bromus to Paspalum. Second Edition* The second edition features 22 newly discovered taxa since the first edition in 1972. "For each new species, a full-page illustration is provided. This second edition updates the status of Illinois grasses. The book features 263 figures from the first edition plus 21 new figures for this edition by Paul W. Nelson." The drawings are excellent. Keys and distribution maps are included.

*Vascular Flora of Illinois* is the sequel to the first edition published in 1975 and to the second and enlarged edition in 1986. The latest edition covers over 3200 taxa, an increase of almost 300 since 1986. Besides keys to genera and species, common names, flowering times, habitats, and geographical distribution, the taxa below the rank of species are recognized and may be identified by keys.—Barney Lipscomb, *Botanical Research Institute of Texas, 509 Pecan St, Fort Worth, TX 76102-4060, U.S.A., barney@brit.org.*